

Iron County Register.

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

As the result of the appointment of the butcher, Gen. Eyer, as captain general of the Iron County, the entire Spanish cabinet tendered their resignation on the 21st.

A. D. Price, of Palestine, Tex., a student at the Bingham (N. C.) school, died, on the 21st, from injuries sustained in a practice game of football the day before. His spinal column was broken between the shoulders.

Charles L. Alvord, note teller of the First national bank of New York, is a fugitive and defaulter to the extent of \$700,000. His peculations extended over many years, during which time he was a trusted employee of the bank.

Hon. John Sherman, former representative in the house, for a long time a member of the senate, and twice holding cabinet positions, died at his residence in Washington city, on the 22d, in the seventy-eighth year of his age.

The Spanish under secretary of the interior, the prefect of Madrid and the mayor of Madrid, as well as several prefects of departments, have resigned as the result of the appointment of Gen. Weyler as captain-general of Madrid.

Baroness von Ketteler, the widow of the murdered German ambassador to China, arrived in Detroit, Mich., on the 21st, and was immediately taken to the residence of her father, Henry B. Leydard, president of the Michigan Central railroad.

President Mitchell, in an interview, on the 22d, practically admitted that the anthracite coal miners' strike would end as soon as all the operators posted notices guaranteeing the payment of a ten per cent. advance in wages until April 1.

The Vremdenblatt and the Neue Freie Presse, of Vienna, approve the agreement between England and Germany, and express themselves as confident that all the powers will adhere to it, "because any power declining to do so would excite distrust."

Gen. Leonard Wood, governor-general of Cuba, saw Secretary Long, on the 22d, and recommended that steps be taken to remove the wreck of the battleship Maine from the harbor, as it occupies a great deal of space which could be utilized to advantage.

A high official of the German foreign office asserted, on the 23d, that Austria-Hungary and Italy had expressed their formal adherence to the Anglo-German agreement, but that France, Russia and the United States, had not defined their positions.

Up to September 21 last, the Nome post office had sold 5,000 money orders. The money order service had been in operation then about three months, and officials there estimate that the sales of money orders for the quarter amounted to \$400,000.

The state department, on the 21st, received a copy of the Anglo-German agreement regarding China from Count De Quadt, the German charge d'affaires, who, earlier in the day, had received telegrams from Count Von Bulow, the German chancellor at Berlin.

Intense adverse feeling has been excited at St. Thomas, D. W. I., by the removal of the Danish West Indies to the United States. A meeting of the colonial council was convoked at St. Croix, on the 24th, for the purpose of making formal protest.

Reliable advice from Copenhagen, on the 23d, asserted that the sale of the Danish Antilles to the United States will soon be effected. The Danish minister to the United States, Dr. Constantine Bruin, will start for Washington, after completing his home conge, bearing the formal terms of sale.

Senor Canelo, Cuban secretary of finance, in the course of a pamphlet just issued on the financial condition of the municipalities of the island, urges better business management, pointing out that a municipality should be carefully conducted on its financial side as a business corporation.

Clara Barton is dangerously ill at her apartments at the Tremont hotel, in Galveston, Tex. Ever since her arrival in that city about six weeks ago, she has been in ill health, and at intervals, upon the advice of her physician, was compelled to remain in doors. Of late her illness has assumed a serious phase.

M. Flaissieres, mayor of Marseilles, France, on being invited to participate in the manifestations on the arrival there of Mr. Kruger, asked for time to reflect, explaining that he desired to know the exact nature of the demonstration, and declaring that he did not intend to take any action likely to create diplomatic difficulties.

The officials of the British foreign office say the Anglo-German agreement will not affect Russia's railroad concessions in Manchuria. They point out that the object of the agreement is the upholding of the integrity of China without reference to arrangements of the powers regarding the constructing of railroads in China.

The French government has decided to prolong the Paris exposition for an additional week. It will close Sunday, November 11. One day will be devoted to the poor, with free admission. That night the exposition will be illuminated as on special nights. It is expected that a million visitors will be present on that day.

The report of the treasurer of the Union Trust Co. of Indianapolis, Ind., for the six months ending August 31, shows a balance in the treasury of \$16,008.72. Of this sum \$2,440.72 is on deposit in the Fletcher national bank at Indianapolis. Drexel & Co., of New York, have \$13,528.40 of the funds. The expenditures for the six months were \$22,156.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Advices from China show that the German troops are suffering in health. The members of the new Spanish cabinet took the oath of office, on the 23d. Senor Sagasta, the former premier and liberal leader, declares the new cabinet will hasten the ruin of the conservatives.

Mrs. William J. Bryan is enjoying a visit to New Haven, Conn., as the guest of Mrs. Philo S. Bennett, of 137 Wall street, a friend of several years' standing. Mrs. Bryan is accompanied by her daughter.

The complete suppression of the revolution in Santo Domingo is officially announced. Gen. Garcia has surrendered unconditionally. Senator Mota has been arrested on the charge of complicity in the movement.

Financial circles in New York were startled, on the 23d, by the announcement that Cornelius L. Alvord, note teller of the First national bank, was a defaulter to the extent of \$700,000. The defalcation is the biggest in the history of Wall street and the defaulter the biggest, too—he weighs 300 pounds. He was a regular attendant at prayer meetings.

President Mitchell's statement, in his speech at Pottsville, Pa., on the 23d, that he believed the strike would be ended by the 29th, if all the operators posted notices guaranteeing the ten per cent. advance until April 1, was received with much pleasure by the mine workers and the mine officials.

Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Meslove celebrated their golden wedding at Robinson, Ill., on the 23d. The afternoon was given to a very elaborate reception to lady friends, at which some 200 were present.

A Paris dispatch says that Leopold, king of the Belgians, and Thomas F. Walsh, of Colorado, have joined hands and fortunes in the investment of money in mining and other ventures. A chief, caught by Father Andrieux of the church of Notre Dame des Lourdes, Minneapolis, on the 23d, robbing the poor box at the church, was so humiliated over his arrest that he hung himself in his cell at the city lockup.

Pateron, N. J., has been the scene of one of the most revolting crimes imaginable. Miss Jeanie Boscher, whose body was found by the roadside, in the country, was the victim of four young men of Pateron, having been rendered unconscious by the administration of "knock-out" drops, which proved fatal. The men are all under arrest, and some of them have confessed.

Secretary Hay, Secretary Gage, Justice Harlan, of the supreme court, Admiral Dewey, Gen. Nelson A. Miles, ex-Senator J. D. Cameron, Mr. J. A. Kasson, of the state department, Judge Bancroft Davis, Senator Hawley and Myron M. Parker, of Washington, were the honorary pall-bearers at the funeral of John Sherman.

The drug store of McGarry & Yarbrough, at Mayfield, Ky., caught fire, and before the flames could be checked, nearly the entire block in which the store was located was consumed. John Yarbrough, one of the proprietors of the store, has been arrested charged with setting it on fire. The citizens of Oklahoma and the Indian territory want single statehood for the two territories. The formation of leagues to promote this end has been commenced. The first league was organized at Wagoner, I. T.

The population of the state of California was announced by the census bureau on the 24th. The population of the state in 1900 is 1,455,052, as against 1,208,130 in 1890, representing an increase of 276,922, or 22.9 per cent.

Dr. Campos Salles, president of Brazil, has arrived at Buenos Ayres. The object of his visit is a mystery, but it is supposed to be designed to check the aggressive policy of Chile toward other South American states.

Reliable persons who arrived at Victoria, B. C., on the 24th, from Ominika, confirm the report that the parties working on the Dawson telegraph line failed to connect, on account of an error in the survey, and that it will be impossible to complete the work before next summer.

The Peruvian senate, in secret session, on the 23d, approved the extradition treaty with the United States, with a slight amendment, fixing \$200 as the minimum limit of the sum allowing extradition.

The entire business portion of Minneapolis, Minn., was burned, on the 24th, including the post office. The Farmers' elevator and several loaded cars also were burned. The estimated damage is \$75,000.

Of 20,000 bales of cotton in cars, on wharves and otherwise involved in the Galveston storm, 19,000 have been recovered, and all but 600 of these identified. This is considered remarkable salvage.

Austria-Hungary has given her assent to the Anglo-German agreement. It has developed that Cornelius L. Alvord, Jr., the colossal looter of the First national bank of New York city, took \$60,000 the last day he worked. He saw that his game was up, and probably thought a few dollars in his pocket might come handy.

Queen Wilhelmina, of the Netherlands, who, with naive independence, selected her husband for herself, has now settled all doubts and questions as to the date of her marriage with Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin by naming January 17.

Andrew Engelke, a clerk in the transfer mail agent's office at Peoria, Ill., has left the city mysteriously, and with his departure several forgeries and thefts committed by him have come to light. It is estimated that by his operations Engelke's friends are short at least \$1,000.

Under the patronage of and for the benefit of the American National Red Cross, 15,000 watch meetings, to welcome the new century, will be held in this country on the night of December 31 next.

William A. Paulsen, convicted of receiving a deposit in the Central Trust and Savings bank, of Chicago, of which he was president, well knowing the bank to be insolvent, was sentenced, on the 24th, to serve an indefinite sentence in prison.

The wreck of the battleship Maine is to be removed from Havana harbor, as it is considered an obstruction to navigation. Gen. Wood saw the secretary of the navy, on the 24th, and, after laying the matter before him in detail, secured the secretary's consent for the removal of the wreck.

Another feud has broken out in Clay county, Ky., between the Phillips and the Davidsons. On the 21st David Davidson, father of Felix Davidson, the deputy who was killed by a Philpot a few weeks ago, was killed, and several others wounded, in a fight. On the other side, David Philpot was killed and two others were badly wounded.

Lord Roberts' leniency with the Boers is condemned by impatient partisans, in England, as a source of weakness in South Africa; and the opinion is expressed that a man without sentiment—a general as cold-blooded as Kitchener—is needed in order to suppress the guerilla warfare now in progress.

James Milliken, a retired banker of Decatur, Ill., reputed as being worth over \$1,000,000, has bequeathed the sum of \$50,000 to Lincoln university, conducted by the Cumberland Presbyterian church, to increase the endowment, which is now \$65,000. The report of the United States commissioner of education shows that the grand total of pupils in all schools, elementary and secondary, in the year ended July 1, 1899, was 16,738,362, of which the number enrolled in the common schools, elementary and secondary, was 14,138,715.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

The funeral of John Sherman, the great statesman, took place at Mansfield, O., on the 25th. The ceremonies, eloquent in their simplicity, were witnessed by people from all parts of the state, and by the president and a large party of prominent persons from the national capital. The obsequies were celebrated in the little church to which the deceased had belonged for more than half a century.

Celebrations in honor of the centenary of the birth of Field Marshal Von Moltke took place in Berlin on the 25th. The general staff, whose chief he was for many years, gave a banquet at the Kaiserhof, Count Von Schlieffen, chief of the general staff, presiding. On the 26th Emperor William gave a large banquet at the castle in Berlin, and many other festivities marked the event.

A resolution offered before the Presbyterian Synod at Missouri, Maryville, Mo., on the 25th, bitterly condemning President McKinley, his cabinet and administration generally, for its attitude on the liquor question as expressed in the canteen law, and enjoining the ministers to vote for the candidate of the prohibition party, was defeated by a vote of 26 to 13.

The mine workers' strike in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania, was, on the 25th, declared off against all companies which had complied with the strikers' demand, and the strike was continued against those companies which had not granted the special convention's demands.

The Berlin Tageblatt publishes a special dispatch from Buda Pest, which says that the Austrian heir-apparent, Archduke Francis Ferdinand, will shortly renounce the succession to the throne in favor of his brother Otto, and the latter's son, Archduke Charles.

A dispatch to the London Daily Mail from Lorenzo Maner, on the 25th, announced the sailing from that port of the American bark Fred P. Litchfield, which, it is believed at Lorenzo Marquez, carries a large quantity of Transvaal gold hidden under her ballast.

Minister Conger has been authorized by the government to begin negotiations at once with the Transvaal envoys on the basis of the points in the German and French notes, upon which all of the powers are agreed.

At Pretoria, on the 26th, the Transvaal was proclaimed part of the British empire, the proclamation being attended with impressive ceremonies. The royal standard was hoisted in the main square of the city, the grenadiers presented arms, and massed bands played the national anthem.

Mayor Rodriguez of Havana has issued an order to the police directing them to take into custody children under 12 years of age found in the streets, unaccompanied, during school hours. It is the intention of the authorities there to enforce the school law strictly.

The Scotch steel makers, owing to the importation of American steel plates, have reduced their prices five shillings, making 15 shillings reduction in a fortnight. These reductions, it is thought, will fully meet the American competition.

The Bavarian government has ordered the re-building of the tombs of the ancient German emperors in the Cathedral of Spire. The Hohenstauffens and the rulers of the Salic dynasty will rest in a fine, new crypt in suitable sarcophagi.

The Paris LeCourrier du Soir says it understands that the prince and princess of Wales visited the Paris exposition in June, but that, in consequence of the expressed desire of the prince, their stay was kept an absolute secret.

The statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, issued on the 25th, showed: Available cash balance, \$13,275,933; gold, \$88,728,905.

Jockey Chatman, on Tony Honig, in the hurdle race at the Interstate fair at Atlanta, Ga., was badly injured internally, on the 26th, the horse falling at the second hurdle and rolling over the boy.

The gold in the United States treasury, on the 26th, amounted to \$451,477,494, the highest point ever reached since the foundation of the government. This is said to be the largest fund in the world.

Failures for the week ended on the 26th, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., were 205 in the United States, against 190 last year, and 15 in Canada, against 20 last year.

John McCusick, first mayor of Stillwater, Minn., died, on the 26th, aged 83. He was a member of the legislature from 1863 to 1866.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

The World's Fair Amendments.

The indications are that state constitutional amendments 4 and 5, relating to the World's fair, to be held in St. Louis in 1903, will be passed by a very large majority. Neither of these amendments will impose any burden upon the state taxpayer.

Amendment No. 4, as already explained, simply authorizes the city of St. Louis to sell bonds to the extent of \$5,000,000 in aid of the fair. Amendment No. 5 authorizes the legislature to appropriate a sum not exceeding one million dollars from the debt and interest sinking fund for a first-class Missouri exhibit.

This appropriation will not come from revenue, but from the sinking fund, in which there is a handsome surplus, and hence there will be no increase in taxation. It is argued that the increase in taxable values in St. Louis and elsewhere in the state will make the investment of a million dollars a very profitable one. The state central committee of both political parties have endorsed the fair project and the amendments, and speakers throughout the state are recommending their hearers to make the World's fair possible by erasing the word "NO" after Amendments 4 and 5 on the ballot.

Recent Deaths.

H. H. Miller, proprietor of the Butler pottery and tile works, and an ex-member of the city council.

William Ten Eyck, at his home in St. James, after a short illness with pneumonia, aged 73. Mr. Ten Eyck had been a prominent figure in Phelps county, and two years ago was the republican nominee for representative. He was born at Carversville, Pa., and came to Missouri 31 years ago.

Dr. G. W. Rothwell, widely known throughout central Missouri, at the home of his son-in-law, Dr. W. Williams, north of Sedalia, aged 88. Dr. Rothwell was born in Albemarle county, Virginia, his father's farm adjoining Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home. He graduated from the University of Virginia, and, with his bride, emigrated to Saline county, in this state, where he commenced the practice of medicine.

Reward Offered for Robbers.

Sheriff Ewing of Vernon county has received notice from Jefferson City that Gov. Stephens has offered \$200 reward for the capture of the Bronaugh bank robbers. The Modern Woodman camp at Bronaugh has also offered \$100 more. These sums, added to the \$200 offered by the Bankers' association, of which Mr. Bronaugh was a member; the \$250 offered by the Vernon county court, and the \$250 offered by Banker Bronaugh, owner of the bank, bring the sum up to \$950. It is likely this amount will be further increased by the company in which the bank was insured against loss.

Murder and Arson.

Dr. C. M. Wright, of New Bloomfield, was burned beyond recognition, while sleeping in a room over his drug store. He was known to have considerable money always on his person, and it is supposed he was murdered for his money, and the store set on fire. A grocery store was also burned. The loss on the drug store is \$2,000, and the insurance \$800. The loss on the grocery store is \$1,000, and it was partially insured.

Tied to a Telephone Pole.

Julius Rothschild, while returning to Huntsville from Moberly at night, was held up by highwaymen and robbed of \$89. He had given a wedding party to Moberly, and on his return was stopped and tied to a telephone pole, where he remained until daylight.

A Long Funeral Procession.

By far the largest funeral ever seen in Bronaugh, or probably in Vernon county, was that of the late Constable Wm. Moren, who lost his life in a fight with the Bronaugh bank robbers. The procession was over a mile long.

The Heirs Won.

The heirs of Hans Lawther, who filed a petition in the probate court of Callaway county, recently, to have their father declared of unsound mind and incapable of managing his large estate, are victorious. The case came up the other day.

For Insulting Young Women.

Special Officer T. Rosser Roemer, of St. Louis, who was charged with having insulted and assaulted (by nudging) three young women was fined \$25 for the offense, he having absolutely refused to sign an apology.

A Heavy Weight.

Fourth street, St. Louis, is becoming more and more a heavy-weight in the community. A granite pillar weighing 50,000 pounds has just been planted in front of one of the buildings there.

Four Brothers for the Philippines.

Four sturdy brothers in the uniform of Uncle Sam, enlisted for service in the army of the Philippines, is the record of the Shanks family of St. Louis.

Sent Their High-Steppers.

Almost every state in the Union that has fine horses has sent a contingent of high-steppers to the sixth annual horse show at Kansas City.

Pell From a Persimmon Tree.

George W. Nichols, aged 12, 453 Swaney street, St. Louis, was killed in Forest park, falling from a persimmon tree, breaking his neck.

St. Louis Registration.

A revision of the registration list of St. Louis shows a total registration of 135,111, an increase of 3,650 over the enrollment of 1896.

His Horse Fell.

G. W. Phillips, of Sullivan, was killed by his horse falling with him, while cantering leisurely along a smooth road. His neck was broken.

It Killed Him.

John Brining, a German laborer, 67 years old, St. Louis, while under the influence of liquor mistook carbolic acid for whisky, and died.

Fire in Senator Cockrell's House.

A supposed defective fuse caused a slight fire at the house of Senator Cockrell in Washington.

REPULSED BY FILIPINOS.

A Small Detachment of American Troops Ran Against a Snag and Retired with Loss.

NINETY AGAINST FOURTEEN HUNDRED.

The Americans lost Five Killed, Nine Wounded and Four Missing. The Filipinos Lost at Least One Hundred and Fifty—Lieut. George L. Feibiger Killed.

Washington, Oct. 27.—The war department received a dispatch from Gen. MacArthur giving an account of a fight, in which a small detachment of the American troops attacked a much superior force of Filipinos. The dispatch was as follows:

Gen. MacArthur's Dispatch.

Manila, Oct. 26.—Adjutant General Washington: October 24. First Lieutenant Rebigier, with 40 men of Co. H, Thirty-third regiment, United States infantry volunteers and Second Lieutenant Grayson V. Heidt and 60 men of Troop L, Third cavalry, attacked the insurgents 14 miles east of Narvican.

Locos province, Luzon—and developed a strong position occupied by about 400 riflemen and 1,000 bolomen, under command of Juan Villamor, a subordinate of Timos. A desperate fight ensued, which was most creditable to the force engaged, though under heavy pressure of overwhelming numbers, our troops were compelled to return to Narvican, which was accomplished in a tactical, orderly manner. Acting Assistant Surgeon Bath and a civilian teamster, captured early in the fight, were released by Villamor. According to their accounts the insurgents were much stronger than reported herein, and their loss, at a moderate estimate, was over 150. Our loss was:

Killed—First Lieutenant, George L. Feibiger, Charles A. Lindenberg, Wm. F. Wilson, Company H, Thirty-third regiment, United States Volunteer infantry; Andrew T. Johnson, Farrier; Guy E. McClintock, Troop L, Third cavalry.

Wounded—Company H, Thirty-third volunteer infantry—Floyd W. McPherson, hip, slight; John W. Grace, face, slight; Floyd H. Heard, cheek, slight; Harry S. Johnson, knee, serious. Troop K, Third cavalry, Corp. Adam R. Wachs, arm, slight; Alfred Downer, hip, head, slight; Charles W. Martin, thigh, slight; Oscar O. Bradford, foot, slight; Wm. E. Hunter, leg, below knee, slight.

Missing—Company H, Thirty-third regiment, John J. Boyd, Samuel P. Harris; Troop L, Third cavalry, Samuel Davis, Ferd Schwed. Twenty-nine horses are missing; some known to be killed.

"MARTHUR."

MARTIAL LAW IN CANADA.

Labor Trouble and Race Hatred Lead to Declaration of Martial Law at Valley Field, Quebec.

Montreal, Can., Oct. 27.—There are now on duty at Valley Field, guarding the extensive works of the Dominion Cotton Co., 25 officers and 353 non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Scots, Victoria Rifles and garrison artillery, augmented by a bearer corps. The Victoria Rifles have a Maxim gun. The sending of reinforcements was decided on late Thursday night, after the first detachment of the Royal Scots had come into collision with the strikers, resulting in nine of them being wounded.

The Scots were practically at the mercy of the strikers, as Col. Ibbotson was unable to find a magistrate who was willing to read the riot act. The officers had to content themselves with firing their revolvers into the air. In the meantime, the men were the targets for a fusillade of stones and other missiles.

The town is largely French Canadian, and has at all times been a hotbed of race hatred, culminating in trouble recently over the employment of Englishmen in the mills, where there are some 4,000 employees paid by English capital. Although the present trouble is on account of a refusal, on the part of the mill management, to recognize the union in the matter of a demand for more pay for the men working on the construction of a new mill, the difficulty has all the appearance of assuming the old phase of racial antagonism, fuel being added to the flames by the presence of the British red coats from Montreal.

The detachment of the Royal Canadian Hussars (cavalry) in under orders to proceed to Valleyfield.

Only one striker was wounded Thursday night. He was shot in the arm, and is not seriously injured.

Four hundred more operatives have joined the strikers. The town is now under martial law.

Sunk by a Fruit Steamer.

New York, Oct. 27.—Eggers & Heine have received a dispatch dated Port Cortez, Honduras, from Capt. Montgomery of the British brig Carib, which sailed from New York, September 10, for Cape Gracias and other Honduran ports stating that the Carib had been run into by the steamer Iberia and sunk and was a total loss. All on board were saved.

The Iberia is a Norwegian fruit steamer, trading between New Orleans and Porto Cortez. She was built at East Boston, Mass., in 1880, and was 1,200 tons.

In Memory of Lord Russell.

London, Oct. 27.—A meeting of jurists and eminent public men last night called to determine upon means to perpetuate the memory of Lord Russell of Kilowen, the late lord chief justice of England, decided to erect a statue in the high court of justice. Mr. Melville Fuller, chief justice of the United States, and Mr. James C. Carter, of New York, were invited to join the general committee, and Mr. Joseph H. Choate, the United States ambassador, was chosen a member of the committee.

ALVORD'S DEFAUCATION.

How the Missing Note Teller's Defalcation Was Discovered—An Inquisitive Clerk's Discovery.

New York, Oct. 27.—In order to make clear certain alleged misstatements, Vice-President Hine of the First national bank yesterday explained in detail some of the incidents leading up to the discovery of Alvord's crime. In the first place, Mr. Hine said, Alvord had worked steadily and without suspicion until afternoon of the 18th instant. By the merest accident a clerk saw him make certain erasures in the clearinghouse sheet, and while he thought this unusual, said nothing about it to anybody until shortly after four o'clock. By that time Alvord had gone, but it was expected that he would return, as he had some work to finish.

When Alvord failed to return the clerk who had seen him make the erasures made casual mention of the matter to Assistant Cashier Backus. The latter, without suspecting that anything was wrong, looked over Alvord's balance, and soon found several discrepancies. He was on the point of leaving matters for Alvord's adjustment, when he decided to make a further examination, and soon saw that many items had been deliberately falsified.

By this time the suspicions of the assistant cashier had become very much aroused. All the high officials of the bank had gone for the day, but, gathering a number of clerks, Mr. Backus went hurriedly over the note teller's books, and, in a few moments, had overwhelming proof of Alvord's guilt.

Mr. Hine did not say how Alvord learned that he was under suspicion, but he confirmed the report that the note teller returned to the bank early on Thursday evening, and, seeing others at work upon his books realized that he had been discovered.

Alvord had not been under surveillance up to that time, although it has been said that he was suspected as early as the 16th instant. The bank officials are convinced that he did not go to his home the night of the 18th, and they are also convinced that he has not been there since the morning of that day.

Alvord's crime came to light exactly three days after the national bank examiners completed their examination. While the First national bank officers admit that Alvord's wrongdoing is in no degree the result of any laxity on the part of the examiners, yet they seem somewhat annoyed at what they regard as misrepresentations on the part of those attached to the office of the comptroller of the currency at Washington.

MAY BE LYNCHED IF TAKEN.

St. Louis County Farmers Organize to Put a Stop to Horse Stealing in Their Midst.

Clayton, Mo., Oct. 27.—"Halt; advance and give an explanation of your presence here! Where did you get that horse you are driving?" This is the command that a stranger driving or riding along the principal thoroughfares of St. Louis county after night in the next few weeks may expect to receive.

Aroused by numerous depredations that have been committed in the last few weeks by horse thieves, the county farmers have banded together, and agreed to take turns about at night at patrolling the principal thoroughfares of the county. The association was secretly formed at Clayton Thursday evening.

Secrecy was the watchword of the meeting, as the 30 citizens who signed the agreement to act as night guards have agreed to lynch the first horse thief they catch, and for that reason they do not want their names made public. Only one of them, F. W. Sangquett, of Clayton, would consent to discuss the matter yesterday.

"The farmers of the county are in earnest in this matter," said Mr. Sangquett. "They have been aroused by the boldness and frequency of these thefts, and are determined that they must stop. Fifteen of the men will go on patrol to-night, the other 15 to-morrow night, and so on, alternately, until the outrages are stopped. And we betide the horse thief if he should happen to fall into the hands of any of these men."

SCAFFOLDING GAVE WAY.

Five Workmen Precipitated to the Ground, None of Them Being Seriously Injured.

St. Louis, Oct. 27.—The many persons in the vicinity of the new St. Louis Trust Co.'s building, in course of construction at Fourth and Locust streets, were startled yesterday afternoon by a crash and the sound of cracking timbers. A scaffold over the entrance of the building, upon which five marble workers were playing their trade, had given way, precipitating the men to the ground.

The fall was about fifteen feet, and none of the workmen were seriously hurt, but John Dugan, of No. 327 Washington avenue, suffered a sprained ankle.

MARRIAGE AND SUICIDE.

A Citizen of Kansas City Marries One Day and Succeeds the Next.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct